Rush Week is over, and the numbers of freshmen are seeing a lower pledge class than normal this fall, while the numbers of those pledging sororities have remained constant.

The new deferred rush policy does not allow freshmen to pledge for a fraternity or sorority until they have completed 12 units of higher education. The Greeks were worried that this rule might affect the number of those rushing and subsequently pledging.

"I'd say that attendance in general was higher," said Rajee Bhansali, Interfraternity Council (IFC) president and Lambda Chi member. "People joining was probably going to be lower because the fact that freshmen won't come.

The number of those pledging for a fraternity this quarter has decreased, but it seems that there are some people expressing an interest in Greek life, said Andre Rollolazo, IFC social affairs chairman.

"The freshmen are still intrigued to come check out the fraternities," Rollolazo said. "Because they can't pledge yet, there is less pressure when going through rush." Rollolazo thinks the deferred rush policy has been a good way to unite the Greek system. The fraternity houses worked together rather than separately during recruitment, resulting in a more relaxed environment.

Sororities, on the other hand, are experiencing the same number of women pledging. There is a large number of freshmen still going through rush with the intent to pledge during winter quarter, said Alyson Reyes, Panhellenic Council president and recruitment counselor.

The main difference this year's informal recruitment was the amount of sophomores going through rush.

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Bush, Gore debate focuses on foreign policy

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. (AP) — Al Gore and George W. Bush both called on Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat to restrain the violence rocking Israel as they stepped gingerly Wednesday night around a volatile foreign policy issue in a nationally televised debate.

Gore also called on Serbia to "release three Israeli soldiers that have been captured" by Hamas militia forces during more than 10 days of violence.

In the opening moments of their 90-minute debate, the two presidential hopefuls both pledged strong support for Israel, and spared over the Clinton administration's handling of Israeli-Leader Saddam Hussein over the past eight years.

The rivals, locked in a titanic, back-and-forth race for the White House, met on a stage at Wait Chapel on the campus of Wake Forest University, "lasted by victims of violence.

But Gore was able to work his way back into the debate during a two-week period. Gore said he agreed with each of the decisions Clinton had made. Bush dissented from the decision to send troops to Haiti, and said the mission in Somalia had gone wrong when it turned from peacekeeping to "nation building."

When it came to Rwanda, Bush said the Clinton administration "did the right thing," by not acting to stop ethnic cleansing there that eventually killed more than half a million people. However, President Clinton has said he regretted his lack of action, and Gore said "an intervention we were too late."

While they differed on some points, the two presidential rivals looked calm and avoided stepping at one another — and Gore retained the middle ground that he used in their first debate to register disagreement with comments made by Bush. So, too, were the proceedings, that at one point, Bush said, "it seems like we're having a big love fest."

When Bush, who has said the U.S. military is overstretched, was asked where he would bring U.S. troops home, he mentioned the Balkans — although he said he wouldn't set a timetable — and Haiti.

Actually, the Clinton administration was "right to have continued to support in the Middle East, it need to keep the peace."

He did not elaborate. But neither administration nor GOP national missile defense advocates in Congress have specifically advocated sharing such a system with countries in the Middle East.

Clinton earlier this year caused a bit of a stir when he suggested that the technology he shared with European allies. A product of stop polls and focus groups was gauging the impact of the second campaign debate, but it probably will be days before the real impact is in. In the first debate, instant polls showed Gore rated higher, but Bush has gained in surveys since then.

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Natural Law claims to be the fastest growing political party. This year

Hagelin has 620,000 supporters and expects to be on the ballot in 42 states.

More information on Hagelin and the Natural Law Party can be found at www.hagelin.org.

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American Consul in Marseille to get all the paperwork required for his candidacy under way.

"I was dripping wet and looked awful," Hagelin said.

He successfully declared his candidacy and started his campaign via e-mail from abroad.

Now that he is back in the United States, his campaign is in full swing, which leaves less time for teaching at Cal Poly. If he is voted into office, he plans to take a leave of absence.

Hagelin said his background as an educator has influenced his desire to focus on strengthening education, especially in certain areas such as northern Santa Barbara.

"They have a serious infrastructure problem," he said.

If voted into office, Hagelin said, there would be a greater possibility of receiving more education funding.

"Democrats are in a much better position to ask the state for money," he said. "There is a democratic majority in the legislature, the governor is democratic, and State Senator Jack O'Connell is a Democrat."

Hagelin also said he promised to introduce legislation that would provide health care for children from families that can't afford insurance.

"Many families are caught in a bind where they make too little money to get medical and make too little to buy their own private health insurance," he said. Hagelin blames Maldonado for not addressing these issues during the campaign.

"This race is the real classic republican against democrat contest," he said.
Could money be better spent at Cal Poly?

I don’t know how you feel about wasting money, but I’ve got a real issue with it. Perhaps I shouldn’t call it a waste, but rather two ventures costing $75,000 that I don’t quite agree with.

So what am I getting at? Well, as most of you know, the University recently acquired several new logos. According to Mustang Daily, they paid $42,000 for the "Angry Mustang" and his spool of rope. I have to admit, they are not bad looking logos, but you know what looks better? The top three student submission logos we all saw in the newspaper last week isn’t Cal Poly’s motto: “Learn by Doing”?

Eddie Drake

Some students worked all quarter to produce a logo for their school only to have it brushed aside by University "Uncle" who had the urge to spend some greenbacks.

The new logos, which look surprisintg, or should I say not so surprisintg, like the student submissions, is in contrast to a firm $500,000 in New York (SMBE Power Branding). Who am I to complain? I am sure they had a better feel for the University’s desire in a logo, given their close proximity, than the students who spent $150,000 designing suitable alternatives. That’s the first part of the $75,000. Let’s move on.

Over the summer (sounds familiar) Cal Poly and Foundation were in contact with America Online. No, don’t worry, you won’t be hearing "you’ve got mail" anymore soon on campus. What you will hear is the key word "Cal Poly" on AOL’s personal web kingdom. The cost $35,000. If you’re enrolled in Cal Poly, and if you can afford it, then you know of this total of these two ventures. Besides Cal Poly’s keyword on AOL, we also get a mini Web page on AOL for Cal Poly and some links about the city. According to a source I interviewed for this column, the university feels this venture will be beneficial to Cal Poly in attracting prospective students who use AOL. I can understand that, but let me ask this to prospective students: Ever heard of Yahoo? Excite? YAHOO alone has nearly a dozen links to the University when you search for "Cal Poly." If these prospective students don’t have the basic tech savvy to do a simple search for a college they are interested in, do we really even want the demos here?

So let’s talk shop. Where does all this cash come from to fund these initiatives? Well, I’ll tell you — the $160 million cash cow that lives, breathes and nets twenty by the day stems from the other side of campus. Indeed, it was Foundation. Now, in fairness to Foundation, they committed the funds at the University’s request, so don’t be too hard on them. You should, however, be critical of the University in its choice of priorities. If we have $75,000 to spend, who not use it to keep housing free after the end of fall quarter? (Oops, I wasn’t supposed to talk about that. How about a down payment on new dorms to prevent students from living in the bands rooms of residence halls? Or how about more funding for the Health Center so that it is actually open in the evening? (Wow, I forgot, accidents happen only until 4:30 p.m.)

Ok, you’ve heard my spin, now think for yourself. Will the recent expenditures help the University? Maybe, but I’ll be damned if any of us can’t think of at least five other places on campus that money would have been better spent on.

Eddie Drake is a political science senior.

Columbus doesn’t deserve day

The mail person did not pick up the bills that I placed in my mailbox on Monday. It won’t until Tuesday, in a conversation with my roommate, that I realized that the early mail service was due to the observation of Columbus Day.

Complaint

the mail is the only way that this holiday changes my everyday life.

The reason for discarding the holiday stems from facts that I have learned about Christopher Columbus and his place in history.

I do not believe in observing a holiday in his honor, nor do I think that he is in any way venerable.

Columbus set sail from Spain, and he, like other informed people of his time, knew that the world was round and that he could sail toward the west in order to get to the Far East, where treasures flourished.

Before leaving on his journey, Columbus persuaded the king and queen of Spain to finance an expedition to far away lands. Wealth was expected to be on the other side of the Atlantic, in the Indies and Asia, and Columbus was determined to bring back gold and spices, just as Marco Polo had done in centuries past.

In return, the king and queen promised Columbus governorship over new-found lands, a percentage of the profits and the title: "Admiral of the Ocean Sea.

Columbus’s calculations of Asia’s location were far from accurate, and the supplies and food were not enough for a journey of that length.

Luckily, on his way, Columbus arrived to uncharted lands that lay between Asia and Europe - the Americas. The date was in early October of 1492. Approaching land, Columbus was met by the natives, the Arawaks Indians, who swam out to greet him.

The Arawaks, who lived in village communities, had developed an agriculture of yams, corn, and cassava. They had no horses or work animals, but could spin and weave and wore tiny gold ornaments on their ears.

Columbus immediately took them, should ship as prisoners, insisting that they guide him to the gold. Reporting back to the court in Madrid, Columbus exaggerated his findings and insisted he had reached Asia. (He was really Cuba.) Because of the embellished report and promises, the king and queen decided to grant him 17 ships for his second expedition, along with 1,200 men. His aim for the trip was clear: slave and gold.

The ships traveled from island to island on the Caribbean, taking Indians as captives and, when it was clear that there was no gold left, the Indians were taken as slave labor. They were worked at a ferocious pace and died by the thousands.

By the year 1515, there were about 50,000 Indians. By 1550, there were 5,000.

The Arawaks were souls untouched by civilization or organized religion, a genus of people who knew nothing of the "enlightened" culture of Columbus and his men who brought swords, abuse and slavery to their existing world of natural instinct and generosity.

My reason for not honoring Columbus Day is clear. His novel and extraor­dinary actions, and his place in history should rightly be cast in a negative light for everyone to see what a disservice he has done for the Indians.

Christine Powell is a journalism senior and Mustang Daily staff writer.

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"We raise on Carub revolutionary songs.

"I was raised on Cuban revolutionary songs."
By Jordan Roberts
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

MTV's Campus Invasion lands Nov. 6 at Cal Poly with Wyclef Jean headlining and La Soul opening.

Diana Cozzi, the Associated Students Inc. events coordinator, said ticket sales are going fairly well, and there are plenty of tickets still available.

"I think Wyclef appeals to the college crowd, while the bands in the past Campus Invasion concerts, such as Third Eye Blind and Sugar Ray, appealed more to the high school kids," Cozzi said. "This year MTV realized that it needed acts that college kids wanted. I am really excited about Wyclef coming."

Cozzi said that this year's show should be exceptional. Wyclef was recently featured in Rolling Stone magazine, while De La Soul has been making a comeback.

"Ever since MTV has been doing Campus Invasion tours, we've been a part of them, which is more than any other campus," Cozzi said.

The MTV Village will be in the University Union all day on Nov. 6. There will be free prizes, music video samples and other music activities. The daytime activities are free to students.

"This year, MTV is dedicating a booth in the Village to raise awareness about hate crimes and discrimination," Cozzi said. "I think it is good that they are including an educational component this time."

Some students feel less enthusiastic about the upcoming performance.

Ivan Ruiz, a business senior, isn't going to the concert because he doesn't know who Wyclef is and mainly listens to country and Spanish music, he said.

"I would go if all of my roommates were going, but I'm not really into rap," Ruiz said.

Siar Garcia, a business senior, said that Wyclef is better than the bands MTV has brought in the past but he's still not going to the concert.

"I like Wyclef's music, but not really enough to go to the concert," Garcia said.

The annual Campus Invasion tour kicked off Oct. 1 in Rhode Island. After years of rock bands, this year's lineup is completely hip-hop.

This is Wyclef's first extensive U.S. tour behind his second solo album, The Ecleftic 2 Sides II A Book. De La Soul will be playing songs off of its most recent album, Art Official Intelligence: Mos Def, which was released in August.

Last month, Wyclef began a joint venture with Clive Davis' J Records that gives the rapper his own record label. After the Campus Invasion tour, he plans to host the 2000 MTV Europe Music Awards in Sweden.

According to the MTV Web site, Wyclef told MTV News' John Norris: "I'm the king of the colleges. There's not a college that I haven't invaded. MTV is going to get the most crazier footage. There isn't nothing like a bunch of college kids - they're stressed out, and they need a concert, so we're going to bring it to them."

Tickets are on sale at the Mustang Ticket Office, priced $26 for Cal Poly students. If interested in working the concert, contact Shannon Maloney at 736-1112.
Phantastic Phish phills Shoreline

By Matt Smart

If you love to bounce around a room, then you would have loved this concert.

On Oct. 7, Phish ended its tour of the United States with a two-night stand at Mountain View's Shoreline Ampitheater. Saturday's concert was not only a conclusion to the tour but the final show of the year.

In Las Vegas, Phish had announced that the band would be taking a hiatus. According to a post on www.phish.com, "Phish has completed their touring for this year. There will be no additional shows in November or December, or immediately thereafter. Additional information will be posted when the band refines their plans for the future."

News circulated throughout the audience that the Saturday night show would be the last before a hiatus of an undetermined length.

The fear that this would be the last chance to see Phish live raised hopes that the concert would be of epic proportions.

Phish played many favorites. The first set included, "Mike's Song," "1982-1992," "Mumford," "Wooly Willy," "Tweeter & Tweeter," "50 Year," and "Moma." Two encores were performed as well: "The Magician's Birthday," and "Round and Round." After the second encore, the band started into "The Magician's Birthday," but halted after the first verse due to an equipment problem. Phish then performed a 20-minute encore rendition of "You Enjoy Myself" complete with organ lines. As the song came to a close the crowd roared for more.

As the Beatles "Let it Be," began to fill the amphitheater, the crew took the stage and the audience realized that there would be no goodbyes. With that, the crowd stood for an ovation to thank the band for the past 16 years of music.

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Phish played its last concert (at least for a while) on Oct. 7. Fans rallied to hear an old favorite and were rewarded with a double-set concert.
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Slice of life stories shown through minorities’ eyes

By Victoria Walsh

Everyone has a story that impacts their life and changes the way they look at things.

The Multicultural Center (MCC) will bring four individuals to tell their own diverse stories about life experiences in a performance called “A Slice of Rice, Frijoles and Greens” on Monday, Oct. 16.

Kristine Fowler, student assistant at the MCC, said, “Great Leap has a unique way of looking at different cultures.

(The performance) is really multicultural,” Fowler said. “It has all sorts of groups.”

In the show, each performer represents a different aspect of society, said Shoniire Prailieu, coordinator of the MCC.

Each performer acts out their experiences being Latino, Asian, African-American and raised in a deaf environment,” Prailieu said.

The MCC wanted to bring “A Slice of Rice” when it was created in the early 1990s. It was a festival of Pan-Asian stories, a combination of Japanese, Korean, Chinese and Vietnamese culture, said Jenny Kuida, managing director of producer Great Leap.

In 1997, the group changed their focus to be more multicultural, Kuida said. “This show gives a voice to people who don’t have a voice,” Kuida said. “Everyone has a story to tell.”

Kuida said the show brings the issue of diversity to the forefront.

“Diversity is an important thing we deal with daily,” Fowler said. “People will feel comfortable with it because it’s a comedy, but it’s a comedy with a message.”

Each skit is different and personal, Fowler said.

“One person uses music to express his message and one person begins his skit from birth,” Fowler said. “Another person tells her story of being raised by deaf parents. Each person in the show has such an individual story to tell.”

Kuida said Great Leap uses the performance to bring a message to people.

“We try to bring people together through the arts,” Kuida said. “We want to promote tolerance and understanding.”

The show will be held at the Cal Poly Theater and begins at 8 p.m. For more information call the Multicultural Center at 756-1405.

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Band reminiscent of Spice Girl

By Megan Shearn

Miss Scary Spice! Marly And from 5 is will fill the void in your life. If Andi can’t do it, maybe the sassy Christine will replace her, or maybe the perky and trendy Kate will suffice. These and other acts contribute to the new girl pop group 5.

The group’s self-titled first CD is a compilation of snippets from the Spice Girls, 98 degrees and Enrique Iglesias. The group represents America’s melting pot. Andi is the English girl, Chris is the American Mexicano (who tries to be different with her take on African tribal coo), Tul is the African American with rhythm, Kate has spiky hair and likes to wear see-through shirts and Daly is the bicultural Latina.

Originality must not have been a priority for 5. The first bars of “Scream Shout” echo Enrique Iglesias’ “Be With You.” Like many acts in the music industry, 5 is trying to cash in on the information with Latin beats.

“Can I Get a Witness” is another song on the poorly written CD, meant more for Destiny’s Child or Toni Braxton. The group tones it down to a soft love song. The song should be bordelied with stronger pop grooves.

Disco undertones are present in “Friend.” The song has a good beat, but the listener can ignore the lyrics really want me, try so hard to get it’s a good song to clean the apartment or get ready for a night out.

If the music gods are in placce, make a hit of “Scream Shout.” The song will be listened to by junior high school students. After that is gone, the group will break up differences in the group’s fashion.

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Letters to the editor

Not much room in our imperfect world

Editor,

The right to life and the right to a woman's own body share a very fine line. Many times out of the year, we read in Mustang Daily about the independence and rights of women versus humanity and whether or not we have the right to regulate it through abortion. Like Michael Deem says, Editor, "Not much room in convenience," Oct. 9, but I hardly agree in independence and rights of women and household or even continuing education. A woman who chooses to have an abortion puts the majority of students here at Cal Poly in a compromising position is for convenience and apply abortion as the quick fix. Those who are uneducated admit the risks to have abortions. It is sad, but true. We do not live in a world where every mistake is amended for. Not every child born into this world receives the life that the majority of students here at Cal Poly have received. And not every woman who has undergone an abortion to keep a child out of an unprepared life fully recovers from the emotional trauma that inevitably follows.

There is no sugar coating to the nasty pill, RU-486. There is no to sugar coating to a life of poverty and abandonment. A woman who decides to have an abortion puts a good deal of thought, pain and loss. Of course, this cannot speak for all women, but it also cannot make these grief-stricken women the minority. Many women do not just "move on with their lives" after having an abortion as Deem stated. These women are killing a part of themselves and deciding to do so only because they feel they are not ready to fully support a child and guarantee a fulfilling and successful life. What about foster homes and adoption? Nowadays, in this imperfect world, there is only so much room.

Amber Lake is a landscape architecture sophomore.

Freedom comes with responsibility

Editor,

My whole life, I have been told of the importance of freedom. In fact, to America we have dedicated July fourth to its celebration and praise. With this freedom comes great responsibility. This responsibility is to accept the consequences of one's actions and also to protect others' freedom of safety, life, religion, etc. This ties into the issue of abortion, which over the past few decades seems to have split our notion in two. If a man and woman decide to practice their freedom of sexuality, then they must accept the results of that expression. It is right and just to say that they can be intimate with each other and abort the life that is created; then it should be just and right for a serial killer to be allowed to kill and get out of the punishment. Both involve a freedom and result, it is not right to say in one case you can bring the result and in the other that it is mandatory to accept. As logical as it seems that one has to take responsibility for one's own actions (at least it did to me when my 4th grade teacher explained it), Americans continue to support abortion. We don't do this because it is right, but because we are self-interested and irresponsible. If this is the case we don't deserve freedom or any of the other privileges associated with it.

Patrick Meissner is a business junior.

Mafia game downplays serious issue

Editor,

There's nothing in the world that shows the blatant insensitivity of some students more than a "game" in which students glorify organized crime. "The Mafia Game" here at Cal Poly is extremely disturbing. Sure, it's easy to write off this activity as playing a 21st century "Cops and Robbers." But, what does it say about our campus when we make light of matters like this?

Some may say that it's all fun and games and that I shouldn't be a party pooper. It's cute. It's fun. Ha, Ha. Obviously, none of these people have been done wrongs fallen by a real "mafia," like the Crips, Bloods, the Northside Crew of Denver, Color or the Church Hill Gang of Richmond, Va.

I have known people who have been shot and from what I've been told, real bullets don't feel like sweet lollipops.

And I know the gutter-wrenching, bowel-loosening pang of having the barrel of a 9 mm pistol pressed to side of your face you can smell the gun oil.

It's far from fun and games. I was lucky that the thug life is a short one, I have known people who have really been murdered by "shooters," "Dons," and other butchers of men.

Murder is not a game. It's not a joke.

The 70 students playing this game need to get watching "The Sopranos" and notice that real victims don't get up when the director tells cut or the game ends.

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Jason Jackson is a journalism senior.

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Laugh and cry with Smile and Nod comedy group

By Kara Knutson

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

With physical, witty, and sometimes risqué humor, Smile and Nod is Cal Poly's high energy, interactive, improvisational comedy show.

Two teams of four people compete against each other in a series of 10 games. Prior to each game, a referee asks the audience to determine the location, characteristics or objects the teams will use in their games. After each game, the audience awards points, and at the end of the show, the team with the most points wins.

Ricki Kahl, business senior and Smile and Nod member, said the show is sort of like "Whose Line is it Anyway?" "It's sort of like a game," Kahl said.

Cal Poly students Mark Stoka and Codie Pontzen initially put together Smile and Nod three years ago as a one-time way to raise money for the drama club. The show was a hit. Since then, Smile and Nod has put on several shows each quarter.

This quarter is no different. There will be four Smile and Nod performances starting on Oct. 4 at 8 p.m. in building 45, room 212. The next three performances will be on Oct. 21, 25 and Nov. 4. Each night will have an own theme including the Olympics, "Survivor" and Halloween. Smile and Nod's theater arts senior said that if people come to see the show, they will come again.

"The best thing about it is its interactive nature," he said. "The audience will see their suggestions come to life on the stage."

Josh Perryell, computer science senior and Smile and Nod member, said that people will never hear the same joke twice.

"We feed off the audience's suggestions," he said. "Over the course of the show, the suggestions get more complex. It's a two-way handshake between the audience and the performers."

Kahl said Smile and Nod members have an arsenal of 20 to 25 games to choose from for each performance, although only 10 are used per show.

Some of the games include "Five Things" and "VCR." In "Five Things," one teammate is sent outside. The remaining team members are given five activities that they need to convey to the missing teammate without using English. Then using audience suggestions, two objects in each of those activities are replaced with random objects that the team members also need to convey to the missing teammate. There is no script for any of the games. Everything is improvised.

James Beveridge, math junior and Smile and Nod member, said there have been only a few theatre or improvisational events in San Luis Obispo. Recently, Beveridge thanks Smile and Nod has been a grandbreaker with that.

"Every show pretty much sells out," he said. "Everybody loves it."

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with the ball and not turn it over." Cummins credits the entire team to his success.

"Some of my favorite memories of our games are the ones where we weren't supposed to win," he said. "We proved to ourselves we could do it." He will take his memories with him when he leaves school in December to seek a professional career in soccer. "I will finish college, but right now is what I want to do," he said.

Already the team has a large hurdle to overcome without its starting goalkeeper, Brenton Junge. After missing last season because of a broken leg, Junge broke the same left leg in a recent home match against New Mexico. Cummins and McGarva both agreed that the replacement goalies are doing a good job in practice. McGarva said the new replacements look promising.

"All the freshmen goalkeepers are doing really well in practice," McGarva said. "We all think they can do well this season."

Additionally, Cummins said the rest of the team will step up to fill in the blanks.

"The veteran players are taking more responsibilities during the games," he said. "They want to take some of the load off of the goalkeeper." Cummins said one of team's goals is to make playoffs this season, but he isn't looking that far into the future. He looks at each game individually and takes one shot at a time.

"I look at it as the one that comes my way, I want to put it away," he said. "Hopefully, I'll get one right."

Yankees beat Mariners, tie series

NEW YORK (AP) - Just when it seemed the Yankees' latest dynasty was crumbling, New York's dormant offense awoke in time to tie the AL championship series at a game apiece.

Bernie Williams ended a record-setting, 21inning scoreless streak with an RBI single that sparked a seven-run eighth inning, and New York tied the Seattle Mariners 7-1 Wednesday.

"Down 2-0 going into Seattle I've been devastating," Chuck Knoblauch said. "And right now, we're riding a high with the eighth inning."

Orlando Hernandez, pitching on his birthday, improved to 7-0 with a 1.22 ERA in postseason play, allowing six hits and striking out seven in eight innings on an afternoon of brilliant sunshine.

But as twilight turned to dusk, it seemed like the Yankees' hopes for a third straight World Series title were fading away.

New York was 12-for-58 (.207) against the Mariners in the first 19 innings of the series.

Then suddenly, New York turned. Yankee Stadium by going 8-6-3 to start the eighth inning, the crowd of 55,317 rocking the old ballpark with every hit. The eight hits were an ALCS record. The exact inning for the Yankees since June 29 at Detroit.

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Johnny Cummins is excelling in his last season before heading to Europe

By Victoria Walsh
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Johnny Cummins knew since he was 10 that he wanted to play soccer for the rest of his life.

He is now well on his way to fulfilling that goal. After this season, Cummins, a biological sciences junior, will leave Cal Poly to play soccer professionally in Europe.

"After fall, I want to turn professional and play for a team in Europe," he said. "To play in the World Cup is my ultimate goal."

Cummins has been playing soccer since his mom signed him up when he was five.

"She just thought it would something fun for me to do," he said. Fifteen years later, he's one of the leading scorers and one of the most dependable players on the Cal Poly team.

Over the last two years, Cummins has a total of nine goals and eight assists and leads the team with 34 shot attempts.

Head coach Wolfgang Ciariner said he first saw Cummins at a tournament at Cuesta College.

"I thought he had an outstanding talent for the sport," Ciariner said. "I knew I wanted him on the team."

Cummins said his first year on the team was a memorable one.

"I started in the first game of the season and even got an assist," he said. "That was important to me because when I arrived at Cal Poly, I thought I was on the team, but (Ciariner) still made me try out."

Now in his third year playing, he's one of the team captains and at 6 feet 3 inches, a large presence on the field.

Ciariner described Cummins as a quiet leader, having a combination of strength and intelligence.

"He's quiet, smart and unselfish," Ciariner said. "He plays all out in the game. When he comes off the field, you know he's exhausted. He has good field vision. The way he approaches the game and the way he plays the field, he's a constant factor for the team."

Teammate Eli McGarva, a computer engineering junior, said Cummins is a powerful player.

"He's captain for a reason," McGarva said. "He shows by example and the other players see that. You know when (Cummins) has the ball, he's going to do something productive with it."

As one of the leading scorers on the team, Cummins puts a certain amount of pressure on himself to play well.

"With each game, I hope to score," he said. "But when I think too much about it, I don't do well. Some of the best goals I've had were when I'm not thinking about what's going on."

Ciariner said he, as well as the team, expects a lot out of the team captain.

"The team expects him to score and I expect him to give his all," Ciariner said. "I hope he stays healthy and plays the way he has been."

McGarva said Cummins has a love for the game.

"He works his butt off in both practice and games," McGarva said. "You can play Johnny to the feet, in the air and he will do something amazing."

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